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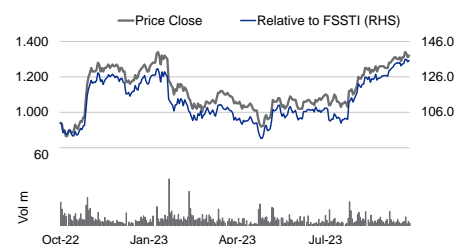
Consensus ratings\*: Buy 4 Hold 0 Sell 0

Current price:	S\$1.32
Target price:	S\$1.49
Previous target:	S\$1.19
Up/downside:	12.9%
CGS-CIMB / Consensus:	4.6%
Reuters:	UMSH.SI
Bloomberg:	UMSH SP
Market cap:	US\$645.5m
	S\$885.1m
Average daily turnover:	US\$4.00m
	S\$5.42m
Current shares o/s:	666.8m
Free float:	79.4%

\*Source: Bloomberg

#### Key changes in this note

- FY24F core EPS increased by 4.6%.
- FY25F core EPS increased by 1.1%.
- Roll over valuation to FY25F.



Source: Bloomberg

Price performance	1M	3M	12M
Absolute (%)	4.8	23.4	40.4
Relative (%)	8.1	25.9	35.2

#### Major shareholders

	% held
Andy Luong	15.9
Gn Jong Yuh	4.6
Vanguard Group	2.2

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# UMS Holdings Ltd

## Net profit growth resumes in FY24-25F

- We expect UMS Holdings to report 3Q23F net profit of S\$12.2m (-71.3% yoy, +5.0% qoq) on 10 Nov 2023. We also expect DPS of 1.2 Scts for 3Q23F.
- With WFE spending expected to grow 15% in CY14F, we expect UMS to be able to deliver core EPS growth of 11.3-29.7% over FY24-25F.
- Reiterate Add, with a higher S\$1.49 TP (previously S\$1.19) as we roll over to FY25F.

### 3Q23F net profit could have grown 5% qoq

We expect UMS to report 3Q23F revenue of S\$72.7m (+5.0% qoq, -27.3% yoy) and net profit of S\$12.2m (+5.0% qoq, -71.3% yoy as 3Q22 net profit of S\$42.5m benefitted from a tax credit of S\$11.9m) on 10 Nov 2023. We also expect DPS of 1.2 Scts to be declared.

### FY24-25F recovery likely for front-end semicon industry

According to our US JV partner, Raymond James (RJ), [Applied Materials](#) (AMAT, UMS's key customer) is well-positioned to benefit from megatrends such as artificial intelligence (AI), electric vehicles (EV), advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) and industrial automation. RJ expects wafer fab equipment (WFE) spending to trough in 2H23F and yoy growth to resume in 2H24F, setting the stage for a multi-year cyclical recovery. RJ's view is also in line with that of Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International (SEMI, 12 Sep 2023), which predicts that global fab equipment spending for front-end facilities is expected to decline 15% yoy to US\$84bn in 2023F, from a record high of US\$99.5bn in 2022, before rebounding 15% yoy to US\$97b in 2024F.

### Reiterate Add, higher S\$1.49 TP on rollover

With wafer fab equipment (WFE) spending expected to recover in FY24F, we think UMS should face less pricing pressure from customers; hence, we raise our gross material margin assumptions by 0.3-1.1% pts, leading to a 1.1-4.6% increase in our FY24-25F core EPS forecasts. We also roll over our valuation to FY25F and value UMS at 12.0x CY15F P/E (+1.0 s.d. above its 10-year average P/E, i.e. FY14-23F; previously 11.1x) given the potential upswing in net profit. We reiterate our Add call given UMS's potential for EPS growth and initial success in customer diversification (UMS in its 1H23 results release guided that a new customer could contribute at least US\$30.0m in revenue for FY24F). Re-rating catalysts: securing more new customers and further orders from new customers for its new Penang plant, improving factory utilisation rates, return of orders for aircraft components benefitting its aerospace division, and better-than-expected cost management. Downside risks include a negative impact from its key customer's loss of sales to China, slower-than-expected rate of return of orders from customers, and UMS's failure to secure enough orders for its Penang plant, or an increase in price competition as other suppliers in Penang also ramp up their efforts to secure business with semicon companies that have recently expanded there.

#### Financial Summary

	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Revenue (S\$m)	271.2	372.4	312.1	355.9	390.3
Net Profit (S\$m)	53.10	98.17	57.81	75.00	83.50
Core EPS (S\$)	0.08	0.15	0.09	0.11	0.12
Core EPS Growth	16.6%	84.2%	(41.2%)	29.7%	11.3%
FD Core P/E (x)	16.57	8.98	15.29	11.80	10.60
Price To Sales (x)	3.25	2.37	2.84	2.49	2.27
DPS (S\$)	0.050	0.052	0.058	0.060	0.060
Dividend Yield	3.79%	3.94%	4.39%	4.55%	4.55%
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.64	7.41	9.78	7.55	6.49
P/FCFE (x)	19.13	23.55	11.96	11.64	10.27
Net Gearing	(6.4%)	(5.9%)	(14.0%)	(20.9%)	(28.4%)
P/BV (x)	3.19	2.59	2.46	2.25	2.02
ROE	20.1%	31.8%	16.5%	19.9%	20.1%
% Change In Core EPS Estimates			0.00%	4.59%	1.06%
EPS/Consensus EPS (x)			0.94	0.91	0.96

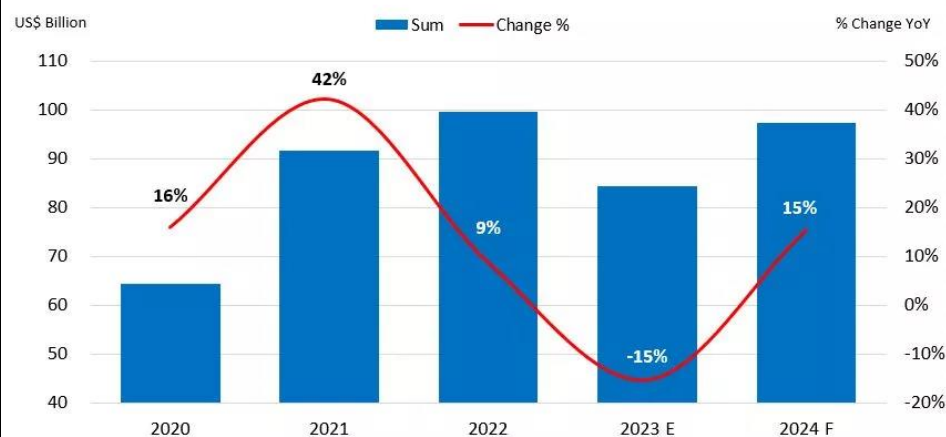
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**Figure 1: Earnings revisions**

(S\$m)	OLD			NEW			% chg		
	FY23F	FY24F	FY25F	FY23F	FY24F	FY25F	FY23F	FY24F	FY25F
Revenue	312.1	355.9	390.3	312.1	355.9	390.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net profit	57.8	71.7	82.6	57.8	75.0	83.5	0.0	4.6	1.1
Core EPS (S\$)	0.0862	0.1069	0.1232	0.0862	0.1119	0.1245	0.0	4.6	1.1
Issued shares (m)	670.54	670.54	670.54	670.54	670.54	670.54	0.00	0.00	0.00
								<u>yoy change in % pts</u>	
Gross material margin (%)	49.3	49.3	49.5	49.3	50.4	49.8	0.0	1.1	0.3
Tax rate (%)	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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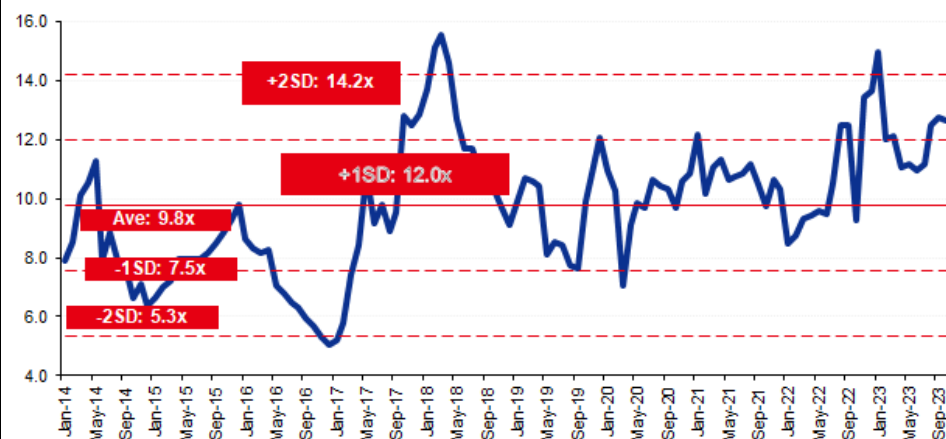
**Figure 2: Front-end fab equipment spending to grow 15% yoy in CY24F**  
**Fab Equipment Spending (Front End)**



Source: World Fab Forecast Report, 3Q23 Update, Published By SEMI

SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RESEARCH, SEMI

**Figure 3: 12-month rolling forward P/E(x)**



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Figure 4: Peer comparison

Company	Bloomberg Ticker	Recom.	Price (lcl curr)	Target Price (lcl curr)	Market Cap (US\$ m)	P/E (x) CY23F	P/E (x) CY24F	3-year EPS CAGR (%)	P/BV (x) CY23F	Recurring ROE (%) CY23F	Dividend Yield (%) CY23F
<b>Singapore</b>											
UMS Holdings Ltd	UMSH SP	ADD	1.32	1.49	646	15.3	11.8	-5.0%	2.46	16.7%	4.4%
Grand Venture Technology Ltd	GVTL SP	Reduce	0.52	0.51	127	26.2	11.4	11.3%	1.42	5.6%	0.8%
<b>Simple Average</b>						<b>20.8</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>1.94</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
<b>Overseas</b>											
Malaysian Pacific Industries	MPI MK	Reduce	26.96	23.65	1,132	42.4	25.9	na	2.74	6.7%	1.2%
Unisem	UNI MK	Reduce	3.20	2.00	1,090	55.5	31.0	-6.1%	2.17	4.0%	2.5%
Inari-Amertron Bhd	INRI MK	Hold	2.95	2.80	2,332	31.1	27.0	na	4.30	14.1%	2.9%
Sam Engineering & Equipment M	SEQB MK	Hold	4.36	4.95	499	28.5	22.5	11.3%	2.72	10.2%	0.5%
Benchmark Electronics Inc	BHE US	NR	24.38	NA	870	12.1	10.2	na	0.81	6.9%	2.7%
Celestica Inc	CLS US	NR	26.82	NA	3,379	11.8	10.5	28.9%	na	na	na
Flex Ltd	FLEX US	NR	26.35	NA	11,769	15.1	9.8	15.6%	1.98	18.5%	na
Sanmina Corp	SANM US	NR	53.20	NA	3,044	8.7	na	na	na	na	na
Foxsemicon Integrated Technolo	3413 TT	NR	191.5	NA	573	10.7	10.4	-1.2%	1.70	14.8%	5.4%
<b>Simple Average</b>						<b>24.0</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>2.35</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>
<b>Average</b>						<b>23.4</b>	<b>17.1</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>2.26</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>

DATA AS AT 17 OCT 2023

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Note: Estimates for Not Rated (NR) companies are based on Bloomberg consensus

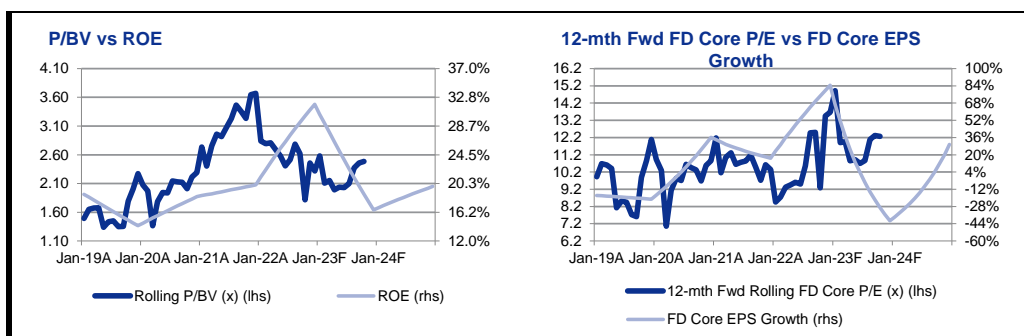


## ESG in a nutshell

UMS Holdings Limited provides equipment manufacturing and engineering services to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) of semiconductors. UMS's sustainability vision is to align its economic success with environmental and social responsibility. The company is a member of the Responsible Business Alliance.

<p><b>Keep your eye on</b></p> <p>Customer concentration risk.</p>	<p><b>Implications</b></p> <p>Applied Materials (AMAT) is UMS's major customer. Our forecasts assume that UMS will retain its allocation of AMAT's requirement for the product platform that it participates in. Over the years, UMS's management has tried to diversify its revenue.</p>
<p><b>ESG highlights</b></p> <p>We believe UMS's skilled technicians are its greatest asset. As the business involves machining, skilled technicians can reduce wastage and deliver the machines parts faster. We believe this is a differentiating factor for UMS.</p>	<p><b>Implications</b></p> <p>The group employed 849 employees at the end of 2022. UMS's practices are guided by the principles set out by Singapore's Tripartite Alliance for Fair and Progressive Employment Practices. The group is an equal opportunity employer that embraces employee diversity and promotes an inclusive work culture. In 2021, the company did not receive any reports of discrimination or exploitative labour practices.</p>
<p><b>Trends</b></p> <p>UMS's main contribution to reducing its environmental impact involves reducing the amount of materials and energy used in the manufacturing process, while also reducing, as much as possible, the emission of environmentally harmful substances.</p>	<p><b>Implications</b></p> <p>UMS has established a target of less than 0.13KWH/revenue energy intensity to achieve energy conservation by optimising its manufacturing processes. In 2022, the group achieved energy intensity of 0.1065 KWH/revenue (2021: 0.1306 KWH/revenue).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RESEARCH, REFINITIV</small></p>

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### Profit & Loss

(\$m)	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
<b>Total Net Revenues</b>	<b>271.2</b>	<b>372.4</b>	<b>312.1</b>	<b>355.9</b>	<b>390.3</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>143.1</b>	<b>185.8</b>	<b>154.0</b>	<b>179.2</b>	<b>194.2</b>
<b>Operating EBITDA</b>	<b>92.2</b>	<b>120.0</b>	<b>88.1</b>	<b>109.9</b>	<b>121.4</b>
Depreciation And Amortisation	(12.4)	(15.9)	(19.3)	(21.4)	(23.0)
<b>Operating EBIT</b>	<b>79.8</b>	<b>104.1</b>	<b>68.7</b>	<b>88.6</b>	<b>98.3</b>
Financial Income/(Expense)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)
Pretax Income/(Loss) from Assoc.	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Profit Before Tax (pre-EI)</b>	<b>79.4</b>	<b>103.2</b>	<b>68.6</b>	<b>88.5</b>	<b>98.3</b>
Exceptional Items					
<b>Pre-tax Profit</b>	<b>79.4</b>	<b>103.2</b>	<b>68.6</b>	<b>88.5</b>	<b>98.3</b>
Taxation	(21.8)	(1.2)	(8.9)	(11.5)	(12.8)
Exceptional Income - post-tax					
<b>Profit After Tax</b>	<b>57.6</b>	<b>102.0</b>	<b>59.7</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>85.5</b>
Minority Interests	(4.5)	(3.8)	(1.9)	(2.0)	(2.0)
Preferred Dividends					
FX Gain/(Loss) - post tax					
Other Adjustments - post-tax					
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>53.1</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>75.0</b>	<b>83.5</b>
Recurring Net Profit	53.1	98.2	57.8	75.0	83.5
<b>Fully Diluted Recurring Net Profit</b>	<b>53.1</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>75.0</b>	<b>83.5</b>

### Cash Flow

(\$m)	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>92.21</b>	<b>120.02</b>	<b>88.07</b>	<b>109.92</b>	<b>121.35</b>
Cash Flow from Inv. & Assoc.					
Change In Working Capital	(23.38)	(21.50)	(0.42)	(16.26)	(16.13)
(Incr)/Decr in Total Provisions					
Other Non-Cash (Income)/Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Operating Cashflow	1.72	4.77	2.04	1.90	1.75
Net Interest (Paid)/Received	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tax Paid	(4.47)	(7.96)	(8.92)	(11.51)	(12.78)
<b>Cashflow From Operations</b>	<b>66.08</b>	<b>95.33</b>	<b>80.77</b>	<b>84.05</b>	<b>94.20</b>
Capex	(9.98)	(53.52)	(8.00)	(8.00)	(8.00)
Disposals Of FAs/subsidiaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Acq. Of Subsidiaries/investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Investing Cashflow	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Cash Flow From Investing</b>	<b>(9.98)</b>	<b>(53.52)</b>	<b>(8.00)</b>	<b>(8.00)</b>	<b>(8.00)</b>
Debt Raised/(repaid)	(10.10)	(4.38)	1.15	0.00	0.00
Proceeds From Issue Of Shares					
Shares Repurchased					
Dividends Paid	(22.67)	(33.39)	(38.89)	(40.23)	(40.23)
Preferred Dividends	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Financing Cashflow	(0.69)	0.28	(0.96)	(0.96)	(0.80)
<b>Cash Flow From Financing</b>	<b>(33.46)</b>	<b>(37.49)</b>	<b>(38.70)</b>	<b>(41.19)</b>	<b>(41.03)</b>
Total Cash Generated	22.64	4.32	34.07	34.86	45.17
<b>Free Cashflow To Equity</b>	<b>46.00</b>	<b>37.43</b>	<b>73.92</b>	<b>76.05</b>	<b>86.20</b>
<b>Free Cashflow To Firm</b>	<b>56.10</b>	<b>41.81</b>	<b>72.77</b>	<b>76.05</b>	<b>86.20</b>

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### Balance Sheet

(S\$m)	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Total Cash And Equivalents	65.1	61.7	95.7	130.6	175.8
Total Debtors	67.5	79.6	77.0	87.8	96.2
Inventories	87.1	110.7	108.3	121.0	134.3
Total Other Current Assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>219.7</b>	<b>252.0</b>	<b>281.0</b>	<b>339.4</b>	<b>406.3</b>
Fixed Assets	128.4	147.9	136.6	123.2	108.2
Total Investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Intangible Assets	88.6	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3
Total Other Non-Current Assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total Non-current Assets</b>	<b>217.0</b>	<b>236.1</b>	<b>224.8</b>	<b>211.5</b>	<b>196.4</b>
Short-term Debt	12.8	12.3	12.7	12.7	12.7
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Creditors	56.1	56.7	51.3	58.5	64.2
Other Current Liabilities	20.6	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>89.4</b>	<b>81.0</b>	<b>76.0</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>88.9</b>
Total Long-term Debt	32.8	27.8	28.5	28.5	28.5
Hybrid Debt - Debt Component					
Total Other Non-Current Liabilities	10.2	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.0
<b>Total Non-current Liabilities</b>	<b>43.1</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>39.5</b>
Total Provisions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>132.5</b>	<b>119.8</b>	<b>115.6</b>	<b>122.8</b>	<b>128.4</b>
Shareholders' Equity	276.3	340.5	359.4	394.2	437.4
Minority Interests	27.9	27.9	30.9	33.9	36.9
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>304.3</b>	<b>368.4</b>	<b>390.3</b>	<b>428.1</b>	<b>474.3</b>

### Key Ratios

	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Revenue Growth	64.9%	37.3%	(16.2%)	14.0%	9.7%
Operating EBITDA Growth	64.7%	30.2%	(26.6%)	24.8%	10.4%
Operating EBITDA Margin	34.0%	32.2%	28.2%	30.9%	31.1%
Net Cash Per Share (S\$)	0.03	0.03	0.08	0.13	0.20
BVPS (S\$)	0.41	0.51	0.54	0.59	0.65
Gross Interest Cover	85.4	92.9	71.8	92.4	122.9
Effective Tax Rate	27.5%	1.2%	13.0%	13.0%	13.0%
Net Dividend Payout Ratio	57.8%	34.0%	67.3%	53.6%	48.2%
Accounts Receivables Days	61.22	72.11	91.57	84.70	86.04
Inventory Days	200.9	193.4	252.7	237.6	237.6
Accounts Payables Days	116.0	110.3	124.7	113.7	114.2
ROIC (%)	34.8%	29.3%	16.0%	21.2%	23.3%
ROCE (%)	25.7%	27.5%	16.6%	19.9%	20.1%
Return On Average Assets	15.6%	22.2%	12.0%	14.6%	14.8%

### Key Drivers

	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Semiconductor segment rev. growth (%)	58.3%	33.1%	-14.8%	15.0%	10.0%

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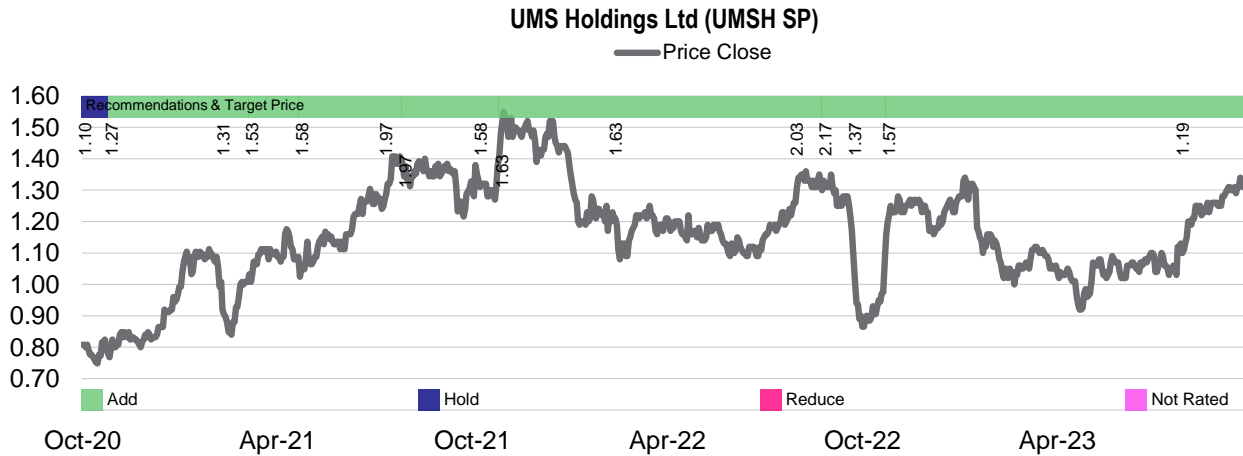
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